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SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW OF MARCH 28, 2007

In response to the Interview Summary dated March 28, 2007, the Applicants submit the following statement regarding the substance of the interview. Although the Applicants do not believe that this statement is required due to the subject interview having been initiated by the Examiner, this statement is nevertheless being submitted in order to comply with the instructions of the Interview Summary.

- A) No exhibits or demonstrations were conducted.
- B) Claims 1-8 were discussed.
- C) No references were discussed.
- Substantive amendments to the claims were not proposed. D)
- E) The Examiner's Interview Summary correctly describes the substance of the interview only in part. The Examiner in the interview did raise the issues again pertaining to the 101 and 112 rejections. However, Applicants' representative did not agree with the rejections. The interview ended with the Applicants' representative

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informing the Examiner that the Applicants' representative is willing to reconsider the issues, but the Examiner should issue a Final Office Action unless Applicants' representative is willing to present proposed amendments to the claims. Applicants' representative did not present any proposed amendments to the claims.

- F) No other pertinent matters were discussed.
- G) No agreement was reached.

Although Applicant believes that no fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782, for any other fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Respectfully submitted,

April 27, 2007

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